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BEFORE LEAVING GENEVA, I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT, ALTHOUGH OUR TALKS WITH SOVIETS WILL CONTINUE, WE MADE NO REAL HEADWAY TOWARDS ANY SUBSTANTIVE AGREEMENT ON BERLIN WHICH WE COULD ACCEPT. AS INDICATED IN THE JOINT AMERICAN-SOVIET STATEMENT ISSUED THIS MORNING, IT IS FAIR TO SAY THAT SOME PROGRESS WAS MADE IN CLARIFYING POINTS OF AGREEMENT AND POINTS OF DIFFERENCE, BUT POINTS OF DIFFERENCE REMAIN FUNDAMENTAL.

I DID OBTAIN IMPRESSION, HOWEVER, THAT SOVIETS DO NOT WISH TO HAVE CONFRONTATION NOW AND DESIRE TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH US ON BERLIN. WHETHER THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH CONTINUING HARASSMENT IN AIR CORRIDORS AND ON GROUND ACCESS ROUTES IS AN OBVIOUSLY RELATED QUESTION. I HAVE THIS MORNING EMPHASIZED TO GROMYKO THAT INCREASED SOVIET AIR CORRIDOR ACTIVITY TODAY IS INCONSISTENT WITH SPIRIT OF OUR JOINT STATEMENT AND THAT WE CANNOT HELP BUT DRAW JUDGMENTS NOT ONLY FROM WHAT SOVIETS SAY BUT ALSO FROM WHAT THEY DO.

REASONS FOR SOVIET AIR CORRIDOR ACTIVITY IN YOUR AREA OF INTEREST ARE NOT KNOWN TO US. I SHALL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION AND WILL REPORT TO YOU AS SOON AS I HAVE MORE INFORMATION. I SHALL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION AND WILL REPORT TO YOU AS SOON AS I HAVE MORE INFORMATION.

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-2- SECTO 116, MARCH 27, 4 PM: FROM GENEVA.

I SHALL NOW BE REPORTING TO PRESIDENT AND, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH OUR ALLIES, WE SHALL THEN HAVE TO GIVE THOUGHT TO NEXT DIPLOMATIC ROUND. I AM GLAD THAT, IN MEANTIME, FROM ALL EVIDENCE BERLIN MORALE AND TEAM REMAIN GOOD THOUGH SUBJECTED TO STRAINS AND DOUBTS OF WHICH YOU HAVE MADE US AWARE.

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